

CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION

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H.B. 6646 "AN ACT CONCERNING CRUMBLING CONCRETE FOUNDATIONS"

Senator Cassano, Senator Hwang, Representative McCarthy Vahey, Representative Zullo and Honorable Members of the Planning and Development Committee, thank you for the opportunity to offer testimony about H.B. 6646, An Act Concerning Crumbling Concrete Foundations.

This proposed legislation would require the Commissioner of the Department of Consumer Protection (DCP) to adopt regulations, in consultation with the State Geologist, regarding standards for the testing of aggregate produced by quarries in Connecticut for use in concrete.

While the intent of this proposal is appreciated, DCP's proposed involvement seems unnecessary, and DCP does not currently have the resources to implement. If this bill should become law, the Department would need to hire a subject matter expert such as a geologist to work with the State Geologist to write the regulations.

Thank you again for the opportunity to provide input about House Bill 6646. Please contact our Legislative Director, Leslie O'Brien, if you have any questions.